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A.—(*a*) No.

(*b*) & (*c*) Do not arise.

(*d*) Four years and two months.

(*e*)—

Names of prisons.		Term of detention.
The Penitentiary, Madras	..	24th to 25th April 1934.
The Central Jail, Vellore	..	26th April to 20th July 1934.
Do. Salem	..	21st July 1934 up to date.

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(*f*) Weight on admission to the Penitentiary	117
Weight on transfer from the Penitentiary	117
Weight on admission to the Central Jail, Vellore ...	110
Weight on transfer from the Central Jail, Vellore ...	104
Weight on admission to the Central Jail, Salem ...	104
Present weight	108

Mr. K. A. NACHIYAPPA GOUNDER:—" May I know Sir, whether the prisoner himself did not make any representation for his transfer to any of the Bengal jails? "

The Hon. Sir K. V. REDDI NAYUDU:—" Not that I know of, Sir."

Mr. V. M. RAMASWAMI MUDALIYAR:—" May I ask whether the Government called for a medical report as to what caused reduction in weight? "

The Hon. Sir K. V. REDDI NAYUDU:—" I think there is sufficient material on record to show that it is not due to any outside cause. As a matter of fact, in the later stages, he has been improving."

Health condition of Mr. Mukundalal Sircar, a prisoner in jail.

* 219 *Q.*—Mrs. A. RUKMANI LAKSHMIPATHI: Will the Hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that Mr. Mukundalal Sircar has lost considerably in weight and consequently his health has deteriorated;

(*b*) what his weight was on the day of admission into the jail; and what his present weight is;

(*c*) whether it is a fact that he was given 'A' class formerly; and

(*d*) what the reasons are for changing his classification?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) The hon. Member is referred to the answer to clause (*f*) of question No. 218.

(*c*) The hon. Member is referred to the answer to clause (*d*) of question No. 1004 answered at the Legislative Council on 23rd March 1935.

(*d*) Under the instructions of the Government of India, no prisoner is eligible for 'A' class, if he is convicted of offences relating to the possession of firearms and other dangerous weapons. Mukundalal Sircar is a prisoner coming under this category.